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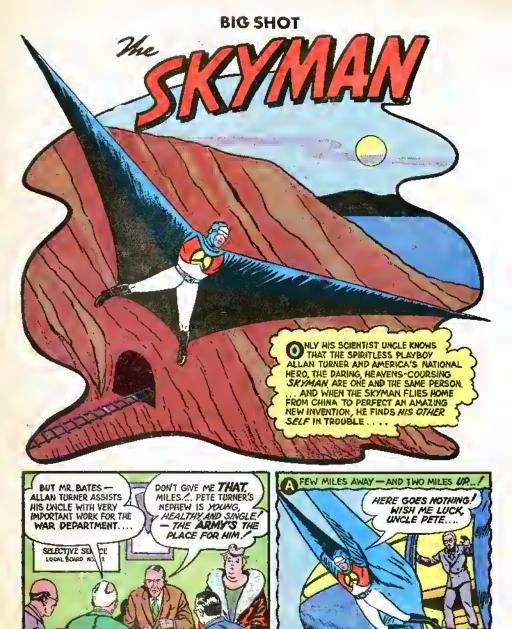


















I DON'T LIKE THAT!
... NOW IF I CAN ONLY
MAKE A SPARROW'S
LANDING - AH! PERFECT!























PRAISE BE / HERE COMES





SKYMAN, EH?
SIX YEARS AGO, WHEN
WELL, I'VE
NOTHING TO
WORRY ABOUT
IF HE'S ON JAIL, AND HE SWORE
THE JOB.

THE JOB.

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THE JOB.

THE SOUT

AND HE'S OUT

AND HE'S OUT

MEANWALE, THE WING ROCKETS THROUGH THE NIGHT...

I HOPE OLD MAN BATES

GOT THAT CONVICT TO

THE LOCK-UP ALL RIGHT,

UNCLE PETE









IF I GO FOR THE WRECKERS, THEY'LL
PUSH THE PLUNGER... I'LL JUST
HAVE TO TRY BREAKING THE CONTACT
AT THE DYNAMITE END OF THE
WIRE—IFI CAN BEAT THE TRAIN.





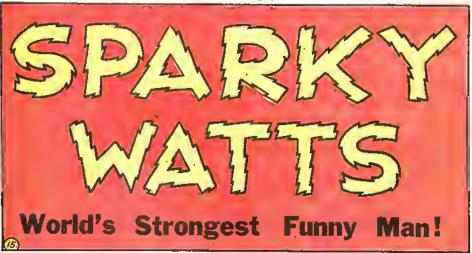












































































































GRAM, SPARKS AND AN ARSENAL OFFICIAL ARE INSIDE THE POWDER MAGAZINE IN WHICH MORGAN, THE ENEMY AGENT, HAS PLACED THE FOUNTAIN PEN BOMBS ..

THE BOMBS ARE SET TO EXPLODE IN A VERY FEW MINUTES

YOU SEE. THE OUTLET VALVES OF THE SPRINKLER SYSTEM CAN DROWN THE POWDER AND PREVENT THE EXPLOSION!

PERHAPS -**BUT THERE** IS POSSIBILITY THAT THESE BOMBS MAY EXPLODE EYEN IN WATER!

BUT THE WILL KEEP THE POWDER FROM GOING UP TOO! THERE!



DARE NOT RISK LEAVING THIS BUILDING THE EVERY BOMB IS FOUND! HAIE! HERE IS ANOTHER!

LIKE LOOKING FOR NEEDLES IN A HAYSTACK - OURING A LIGHTNING STORM

-BUT WORSE







AS SOON AS I SPOT THAT LAKE, I'LL HEAVE THESE BOMBS WHERE THEY CAN BLAST WITHOUT HARM-I HOPE!-WHAT'S THIS UP A HEAD -OH - THE CARS! WOW!











































































WILL CHARLIE BE IN TIME TO FOIL THE SABOTEURS FIENDISH PLOT??....

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The Cats Were Hep!

by Ray Krank

DDIE LAFFETY looked down at his shoes.

"Listen, feet," he muttered sternly, "I've got to walk right up to that shack, march inside, and listen to the Commander's beef—so just make up your mind about it, and stop trying to turn around and go back the other way."

Reluctantly, Eddie's feet trotted on and eventually bore him into the icy presence of Lieutenant Commander Joseph J. Carney, who didn't even wait for the screen-door to close before he began biting off hard, short words.

"All right, Laffety-tell it fast. And don't

forget: you lost an airplane."

"I swapped it for a Nip tincan, sir," Eddie corrected.

Carney's brows rose, pushing a ripple of wrinkles up to meet the straight line of his thick brown hair.

"You didn't report that when you came in," he snapped. The fiyer looked him straight in

the eye and tried out a small grin.

"I didn't make any report, sir. Just said I went out on an unauthorized mission and got shot down. But the Black Cat boys insisted I'd better tell you about it, and, thinking it over, I decided maybe I'd better."

The Commander's brows came down, slid

tightly together.

"Maybe you'd better ...!" he said.

ELL, last night, at about 2230, I was horsing around with some of the guys down near the Catalinas' repair shop, when along comes Jim Sterling,—that's Ensign-Sterling, copilet in Lieutenant Bob Grimm's PPY.

"Hiya, Eddie," he says. "What're you doing down here? Gonna quit those little Hellcats

and take a job with us?"

Those PBY boys always talk like that. They think a lot of those big old Cats. Anybody tells them they're flying dead ducks and why don't they switch into something dicty—like the Hellcat—they just laugh.

("Dicty?" asked Carney, frowning.)

I mean something high class, something nifty, something sharp. Y'know? Well, anyway, I got to beating the gums with Jim and learned his gang were going out to scout Island 932, to see if the Nips were slipping in any supplies to repair the pasting we gave them two days ago. So, one thing led to another, and finally I tell Jim that 'il the Nips had any meat in their skulls, they'd be able to bat those PBYs out of the sky like flies. "Yesh?" he says. "Try it

yourself sometime, and see what happens!" To which I retort: "Maybe I will . . .!"

("Ah!" Carney said, and shut his eyes.)

Yeah. Well, I watched them take off from the cove—not so easy to do. I mean, to watch them take off. You know how those flying boats are painted black so they can eneak around on these might patrols. . . Well, naturally you do. Anyway, I watched them leave, and after awhile I found myself thinking about this business. I said to myself: How come those Jap ickies can't get these Black Cats? The Nips know the Cats are always prowling around after dark; why don't they send up night fighters to intercept?

Well, one thought led to another, and before anybody got his boots on to what was cooking, I was picking my ship up off the strip and heading in the general direction of Island 932.

("How did you get clearance?" Carney want-

ed to know.)

Clearance. Yeah. I figured there was no use trying to get an okay on this stunt, so I just gave quiet orders to my mechs, climbed in, and took her up I felt groovy, and at the moment I wasn't worrying about what would happen to me come next bright.

("Groovy? Bright?" muttered the Commander, ball to himself.)

I mean I felt swell, and wasn't giving much thought to the trouble I might be in the next day. Er—that's today.

Well, I went on out, climbing fast and climbing high, and keeping the glims open for cloud formations-I knew the Cat would stick to the clouds, at least until Bob Grimm got her over the island. They had about fifteen minutes' start on me, but you know those Cats-185 m.p.h. is top speed for them. And my F6F does twice that. So, pretty soon I was taking it nice and easy, because I didn't want to run into them all of a sudden and get knocked off. My whole idea was to see if I couldn't creep up on them and catch them flatfooted. Then I could give them the horse-laugh. Also, I thought it might be helpful to know just how effective that black paint was and to sort of get a slant on what the Nips were up against.

("For your information, Laffety," Carney said drily, "— we've checked all that, and we're satisfied with the performance the Black Cats have given up to now. One of the reasons the Japanese night fighters don't catch up to our PBYa is that the little brown pilots seem to be afraid of the dark—and usually fly with their instrument boards all lit up like an Italian festival.")

Then the Jap joker I spotted was a hero. He didn't have a light showing, except the blue flame of his exhaust. I happened to notice that flicker, and right after that I saw Grimm's Cat, skinming a hunk of moon off a cloud. The Nip was heading for them, fast and straight, and I was pretty sure they couldn't see him. So I opened up with the radio department, the Jappo being out of range of my .50s.

"Hey, Weiss!" I hollered. Weiss is their radiomen. "You're on a wrong riff—better cut out of the open and stache in some woo!! There's a foxy snatcher on you at five o'clock above!"

("Come again?" growled Carney, bending one brow and raising the other.)

I mean, I just told them that they were doing the wrong thing staying out in the open, and that they should hide in a cloud because a detective—that was the Nip fighter—was coming after them from the five o'clock position. Weiss dug me, ol course—that is, he understood me—and they didn't waste any time scooting into a cloud. Just as they were getting away, the Jap made a pass at them, but didn't connect, and a

even know I was around, the poor square!

I cruised on along the cloud bank for awhile,
and the first thing you know my headphones
were frying eggs in my ears. It was Weiss,
chuckling like an idiot.

few ticks later I hit him but good. He didn't

"You're dead, gate!" he told me. "That'll teach ya to play around with us Black Cats!"

They were pretty hard to make out, but I finally saw their silhouette, not far behind me. I was right in line with their bow gun. I got on the ether fast, just in case they hadn't recognized me. But they knew me all right and they ribbed me awhile until Grimm decided we were having too much of a clambake and ordered radio silence again.

("I was wondering about that!" the Commander remarked heavily. "And whatever became of Island 932?")

Oh! Well just about that time, it turned out that the Island was right underneath us, and we didn't exactly like the idea. Some flak came up, and a couple of rockets, and after a few ticks it got very noisy around there. We went down to focus the harbor—and that was the first time I ever wished I was a heavy bomber instead of a fighter!

The Nips had a full house. Three transports, a mess of barges, six or seven destroyers, and I think there was a cruiser. All moving in, with plenty of stuff to fill up the holes we've been punching in thet base.

Grimm and his boys didn't lose any time. They went right in and unloaded everything they had—four 500-pounders, about two dozen 60-pound fragmentation eggs, and I don't know many incendiaries. Got some righteous hits too. The Nips lit out in all directions—some

straight up. One transport ran aground, another went into a circle and trampled two barges—but you'll be getting Grimm's report on that

Anyway, the armored stuff cut out for open water, and we let them go.

("We?" Carneys eyes were sardonic.)

Well, I sort of lent a hand, sir, doing a little strafing on the ack ack gunners. Nothing much. Anyhow, there was 100 much down there for the Cat to take care of, so Grimm radioed for some MTBs to come out and finish up. Then we scrammed. We bedn't gone very far, when Weiss buzzed me.

"Got a hunk of flak in our electrical system, Eddie—we're going down. Hit the road, kid."

That was a pretty fraughty issue, of course, and it got worse when the Cat eased onto the water and started to drift. One of those Nip destroyers we'd chesed saw the landing and came a-running. Naturally I couldn't cop a final in those circs.

("Naturally," agreed the Commander calmly.
"Although I really can't say until I learn the
meaning of 'fraughty issue' and 'cop a final'—or
am I dense?")

A sad state of affairs, I meant. And with the tincan charging up to blow the Car to pieces, I couldn't leave for home. Y' see? So I went down and started working my .50s on the Nip's water-line. It's amazing the way those bullets burn right through—in one side and out the other. Ever see that, sir? Er—perdon me. You invented it, didn't you?

Anyway, the can sank pretty fast, and I could hear Weiss blowing his wig down there in the Cat. Boy, they loved me, then!

"You're mellow, kid!" Weiss was yelling.
"You're mezz! You're murder! You're riding down the groove!"

It turned out I was also on fire. The Jap gunners had nailed me just before they dunked, and I'd never noticed it. So I hit the silk, came down not far from the Cat, and the boys hauled me aboard. Right after that, Olsen—the chief mech—patched up their wiring, and we rocked off lor home.

Well, that's about all, sir. . . .

HE older man looked thoughtfully at Eddie.

Then be shook his head slowly, folding his lips in and puffing out his cheeks. He sighed gustily.

"I don't know. You idiots will be the death of me yet. I'll have to discipline you—then give you a medal, probably! Have to think it over awhile."

Unexpectedly, he grinned.

"Meanwhile," he said, "- cop a final to your bunk, and get in the groove with Morpheus!"

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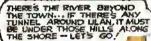
















































GUESS THIS RILLA STUFF'S BEGINNING TO GET ME YANK ... I COULD SWEAR SOMEONES

EASY WING...
FIFTY FEET MORE
AND WE'LL BE SAFE
AMONG THOSE ROCKS













PARCHENKO! ANOTHER SECOND AND THESE FOOLS

WOULD HAVE BEEN ALL RIGHT, COMPAGES LET 'EM UP ... WE TAKE THEM TO

WHAT WAS THAT SHOUTING, SERGEANT? ... WHO ARE THESE TWO? PRISONERS FROM ACROSS THE RIVER, LIEUTENANTAN LITTLE ONE IS CHINESE WOMAN IN MONGOL CLOTHES. THE MAN WEARS STRANGE





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YOU DON'T SAY!

















































































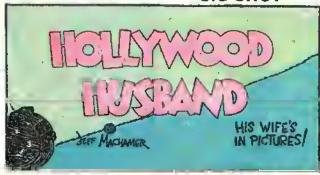




























































































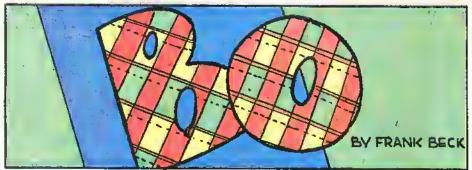












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MIND REFORMS TO THE
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WAR, WHEN THE WORLD
WAS AT PEACE, AND
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SOME DAY SOMEBODY'S GOING

TO WRITE A SONG ABOUT







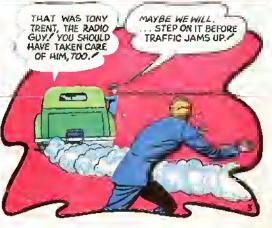














PRETTY CLEVER, NOW I'VE A
BUT THAT MAY BE BROADCAST TO
THE ONE SLIP THAT DO, SON, HERE'S
WILL STRAP THEM A DOLLAR BUY
ALL TO THE YOURSELF A
ELECTRIC CHAIR. BULLET-PROOF
GO-CART,





TRENT? I JUST HEARD YOUR SPIEL ABOUT THE GUNMEN -- IN COP'S UNIFORMS, AND I THINK I CAN TIP YOU OFF TO A SCOOP ON THE MURDER. ... YEAH ... COME ALONE -- OR THE DEAL'S OFF. ...



IT'S A TRAP. BUT IF I CALL
IN THE POLICE, THE GANGSTERS
MAY NOT SHOW THEIR HAND.
... MUST BE SOME WAY TO
THROW THEM OFF BALANCE.



















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